

# Moss to present painting of Occoquan's Mill House

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Sleepy Occoquan will come alive on Tuesday night when internationally acclaimed artist Pat Buckley Moss, whose depictions of Amish and Mennonite people have earned her a worldwide following, comes to the Frame Up to present a painting she recently completed of the Mill House museum.

Last year Moss' appearance at the Frame Up attracted nearly 400 people, according to owner Marlene McMannus. Tuesday night more than 50 shops and restaurants will remain open to accommodate the hundreds of excited Moss enthusiasts who will wait in line for a number to have up to two previously purchased works signed.

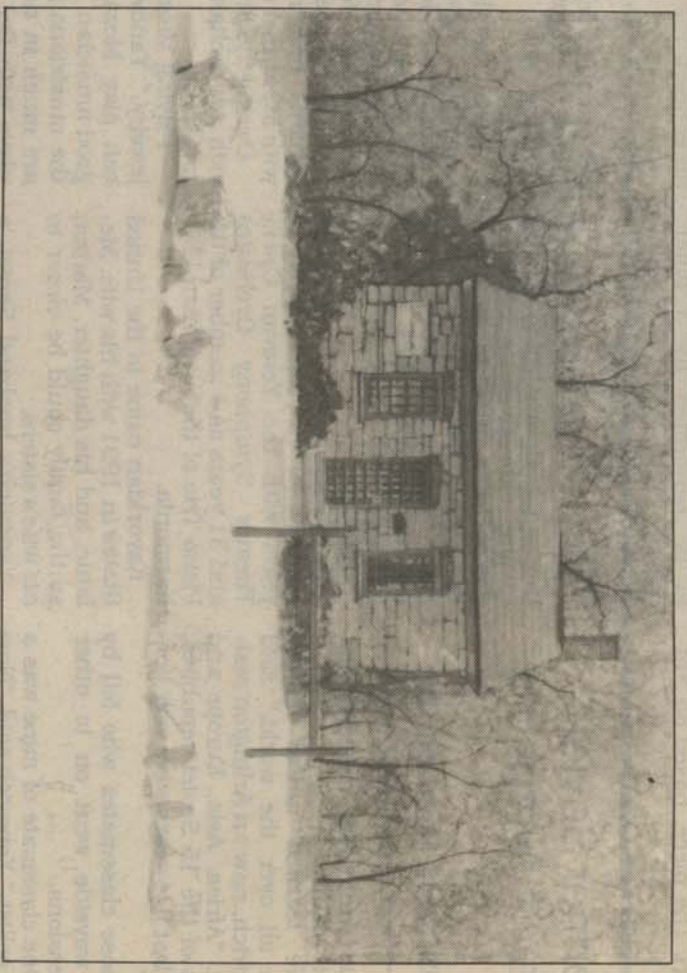
The popular works of P. Buckley Moss are carried by approximately 500 dealers across the United States and are available in prints, dolls, plates, watercolors and range in price from a \$25 print to more than \$12,000 for an original.

Moss exhibits regularly in Japan, Canada, Germany and the United States. In May 1989, she built the P. Buckley Moss museum in Waynesboro. In a large 18,000-square-foot brick building, archives of originals and a permanent retrospective exhibit are kept and tours are given, including one by Moss' mother who is 88 years old.

Waynesboro is special to Moss, who changed her style of painting when she moved there in 1964. Having previously painted religious themes, she switched to painting the Mennonite and Amish people she came to know and admire after moving to the Shenandoah Valley.

The artist also has spent much of her time speaking to children with learning disabilities, because she is dyslexic.

Her P. Buckley Moss Collectors Society, which boasts 14,000 members at more than 40 chapters around the nation, raises funds for charities by arranging the donation of some of her work for raffle or auction. McMannus said Moss is very person-



Pat Buckley Moss will be in Occoquan at the Frame Up Tuesday to sign prints and present her painting of the Mill House.

able and through her charities she gives back. The appearance on Tuesday is expected to be very crowded, and McMannus said people can line up for numbers at 4 p.m.

Last year when Moss was signing prints at evening show at the Frame Up, she stayed until after midnight. "She will stay until the last person is signed," McMannus said.

For more information, call The Frame Up at (703) 491-2838.

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